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Filing Date	10/30/1998
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Title	Fuel Reward Program System
Art Unit	3624
Examiner Name	Hani M. Kazimi
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SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Signature		Date	5/31/05
Name	G. Randy Nicholson	Telephone	325-676-3150
Title and Company	President, AutoGas Systems, Inc.		

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Peter G. Jacoves, William Y. Hall, Karla J. Maims, and Charles H. Naul

Application No./Patent No.: 09/183,791 Filed/Issue Date: 10/30/1998

Entitled: Fuel Reward Program System

AutoGas Systems, Inc., a Delaware Corporation
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

G. Randy Nicholson

Signature

G. Randy Nicholson

Printed or Typed Name

President, AutoGas Systems, Inc.

Title

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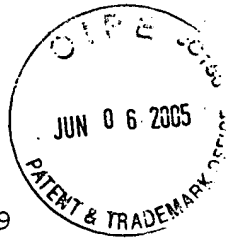
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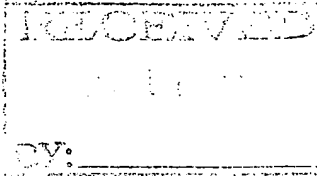
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Peter G. Jacoves, William Y. Hall, Karla J. Mains, and Charles H. Naul

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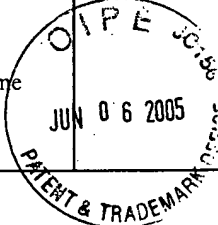
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Street Address: 2200 Ross Avenue, Chase Tower, Suite 3800

City Dallas, State TX Zip 75201

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Peter G. Jacoves, William Y. Hall, Karla J. Mains, and Charles H. Naul, citizens of US, have invented certain new and useful improvements in FUEL REWARD PROGRAM SYSTEM for which we are about to make application for United States Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, Fuel Partners, L.P., having an address of 2200 Ross Avenue, Chase Tower, Suite 3800, Dallas, Texas 75201, dba Fuel Marketing Solutions, the sole general partner being Fuel Marketing Solutions, Inc., a corporation of the State of Texas, which has a business address of 2200 Ross Avenue, Chase Tower, Suite 3800, Dallas, Texas 75201, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring our entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, and in and to said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as our interests are concerned, to said Assignee of our entire right, title and interest.

We also hereby sell and assign to said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives the full and exclusive right, title and interest to the invention disclosed in said application throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs for said invention in its own name throughout the world including all rights of priority, all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of said invention and all rights to register said invention in appropriate registries; and we further agree to execute any and all powers of attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such right, title and interest in Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives.

We hereby further agree that we will communicate to said Assignee, or to its successors, assigns and legal representatives, any facts known to us respecting any improvements, and, at the expense of said Assignee, to testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue and substitute applications, make all lawful oaths, and generally do everything possible to vest title in said Assignee and to aid said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

Name of First Joint Inventor: **Peter G. Jacoves**

Residence (City, County, State): **Dallas County, Dallas, Texas 75248**

Signature: _____

Date: 10/28/98

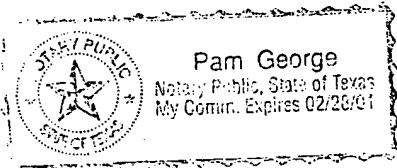
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BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, on this 28 day of Oct., 1998, personally appeared Peter G. Jacoves, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of office this 28 day of Oct A.D., 1998.



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Notary Public

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Name of Second Joint Inventor: William Y. Hall

Residence (City, County, State): Frisco, Collin County, Texas 75034

Signature: *William Y. Hall*

Date: 10-28-98

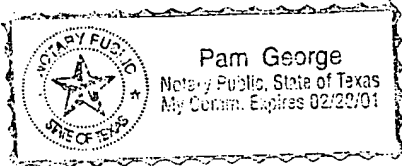
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Name of Third Joint Inventor: **Karla J. Mains**

Residence (City, County, State): **Rowlette, Dallas County, Texas 75089**

Signature: *Karla Mains*

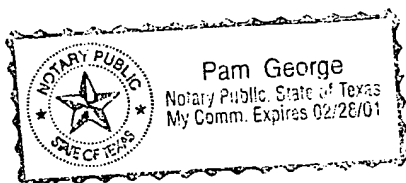
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Name of Fourth Joint Inventor: Charles H. Naul

Residence (City, County, State): Irving, Dallas County, Texas 75063

Signature: [Signature]

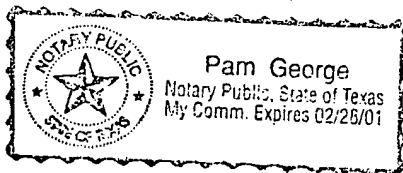
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FUEL PARTNERS, L.P.

DOC DATE: 05/25/2005

ASSIGNEE:

AUTOGAS SYSTEMS, INC.
1201 ESTATES DRIVE, SUITE D
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TITLE: FUEL REWARD PROGRAM SYSTEM

SERIAL NUMBER: 09183788

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PATENT NUMBER: 6741968

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TITLE: METHOD FOR PROCESSING INFORMATION THROUGH A CLEARINGHOUSE

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State/Country:	TEXAS
Postal Code:	79602
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Patent Assignment

THIS PATENT ASSIGNMENT, effective as of May 25, 2005, is between Fuel Partners, L.P. ("ASSIGNOR"), a Texas Limited Partnership with offices at 14850 Quorum Drive, Suite 400, Dallas, Texas 75254, and AutoGas Systems, Inc. ("ASSIGNEE"), a Delaware corporation with offices at 1201 Estates Drive, Suite D, Abilene, Texas 79602.

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, on October 30, 1998, ASSIGNOR acquired all right, title, and interest in and to certain inventions, improvements, and patent rights relating to United States Letters Patent No. 6,741,968 entitled, "Method for Processing Information Through a Clearinghouse," from Peter G. Jacoves, William Y. Hall, Karla J. Mains, and Charles H. Naul as duly recorded at reel 9560, frame 0757 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and

WHEREAS, on October 30, 1998, ASSIGNOR acquired all right, title, and interest in and to certain inventions, improvements, and patent rights relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/183,791 entitled, "Fuel Reward Program System," from Peter G. Jacoves, William Y. Hall, Karla J. Mains, and Charles H. Naul as duly recorded at reel 9561, frame 0466 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and

WHEREAS, ASSIGNEE is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNOR's entire right, title, and interest in and to the inventions, improvements, and patent rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells and assigns unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, ASSIGNOR's entire right, title, and interest in and to the inventions or improvements set forth in United States Letters Patent No. 6,741,968 and United States Patent Application No. 09/183,791, and to said patent and said application, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof. ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for the invention, insofar as ASSIGNOR's interest is concerned, to the ASSIGNEE.

ASSIGNOR also hereby assigns to ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the full and exclusive interest in the inventions or improvements disclosed in said patent and said application throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs for the inventions or improvements in its own name throughout the world, including all rights of priority, all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of the invention and all rights to register the invention in appropriate registries.

ASSIGNOR further agrees to execute any powers-of-attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits, and any other papers necessary to perfect such interest in ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have duly executed this Assignment this 25th day of May 2005.

Fuel Partners, L.P., a Texas Limited Partnership
Assignor
By: FUEL MARKETING SOLUTIONS, INC.,
d/b/a Centego Marketing, its general partner

By: Steven Rosenberg
Steven Rosenberg
Chief Executive Officer

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF Dallas) S.S.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Steven Rosenberg, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 25 day of May, 2005.



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